VCs in Central Universities

2799. SHRI KULDIP NAYYAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many Vice-Chancellors have been appointed during the last three years to the various Central Universities, IITs, Business and Law schools and other such bodies, financed by the Central Government; and

(b) how many among these Vice-Chancellors belong to the Brahmin community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) and (b) Vice-Chancellors and other heads of educational institutions which fall within the domain of the Ministry of Human Resource Development are appointed on considerations of merit. No information is maintained in the Ministry on the number of Vice-Chancellors appointed from any specific community.

Results of High School CBSE Examinations

†2800. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that results of CBSE High School Examination for the academic year 2000-2001 were not satisfactory as compared to that of the public schools;

(b) whether it is also a fact that only 50 per cent students were declared pass in the High School Examination conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education and about one lakh students got compartment in various subjects;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the reaction of Government in this regard and what

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necessary steps are being taken by the Central Board of Secondary Education to simplify the High School and Intermediate Examinations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) to (d) As per information furnished by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), the overall pass percentage in the High School (class X) examination conducted by the Board in 2000-2001 has been 66.6%. There has been an increase of 1.2% in the overall pass percentage as compared to the last year. Information regarding pass percentage of candidates belonging to different categories of schools is given below:—

Kendriya Vidayalayas	—	81.0
Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas	—	87.0
Govt. Schools	—	38.9
Govt. aided Schools	—	51.3
Independent Schools	—	85.4
Private/Patrachar candidates	—	26.7

1,04,158 candidates were placed in the compartment out of the total 4,86,718 candidates who appeared in the class X Examination. The low pass percentage of students belonging to Govt. schools is largely the responsibility of the concerned State Govt./UT. The CBSE has taken various measures such as development, publication and use of sample question papers & detailed marking schemes, and orientation/training of teachers & examiners so as to make the examination system a valid and reliable measure of pupil's educational achievement.

Absenteeism among teachers

†2801. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any concrete and necessary

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